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1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on						
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3) Since this application is in condition for allow	wance except for formal matters, pr	rosecution as to the me	erits is			
closed in accordance with the practice unde	closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.					
Disposition of Claims						
4) Claim(s) 1-18 is/are pending in the application	ion.					
4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are without	drawn from consideration.					
5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.						
6)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-18</u> is/are rejected.						
7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.						
8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction an	d/or election requirement.					
Application Papers						
9) The specification is objected to by the Exam	iner.					
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

- (b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.
- 2. Claims 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Mroczkowski.

Mroczkowski discloses a tool for cutting wood material comprising all the elements claimed including, *inter alia*, a fluoropolymer coating, i.e. Teflon™, forming a low friction surface for cooperating with a workpiece placed thereon. See c. 8, ll. 14-20.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

- 3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:
 - (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.
- 4. This application currently names joint inventors. In considering patentability of the claims under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), the examiner presumes that the subject matter of the various claims was commonly owned at the time any inventions covered therein were made absent any evidence to the contrary. Applicant is advised of the obligation under 37 CFR 1.56 to point out the inventor and invention dates of each claim that was not commonly owned at the time a later invention was made in order for the examiner to

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consider the applicability of 35 U.S.C. 103(c) and potential 35 U.S.C. 102(e), (f) or (g) prior art under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

5. Claims 1-18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Prior Art of Record in view of Mroczkowski.

The Prior Art of Record discloses the invention substantially as claimed in that the scroll saw, band saw, and the circular table saws, i.e. "motorized wood working tool," and the claimed features for these saws are all prior art with the exception of the tabletop surface having a fluoropolymer coating. In that regard, Mroczkowski clearly teaches a wood working table (8) having a fluoropolymer coating, i.e. Teflon™, forming a low friction surface for cooperating with a workpiece placed thereon. See c. 8, ll. 14-20. Due to the fact that it is old and well known in the wood working art that low friction surfaces are desirable, it would have been obvious to the ordinary artisan at the time of the instant invention to provide the Prior Art of Record with the coating as taught by Mroczkowski in order to provide a low friction surface for working of wood.

Regarding claims 5 and 15, the modified device of the Prior Art of Record in view of Mroczkowski discloses the invention substantially as claimed except that Mroczkowski is silent on primer coating for application of the fluoropolymer coating. On the one hand, in terms of structure, how the fluoropolymer coating is applied, i.e. the method of application, is not germane to the structure itself. In the alternative, application of a primer coating prior to applying the fluoropolymer coating is old and well known in the art in situations where the substrate may not have the material characteristic suitable or sufficient for application of the fluoropolymer coating.

Therefore, the Examiner takes Official Notice that it would have been obvious to the

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ordinary artisan at the time of the instant invention to provide primer coating for application of the fluoropolymer coating as noted *supra*.

Regarding e.g. claim 8, these are all well known art recognized forms of fluoropolymer coating material that provide low friction, e.g. TeflonTM.

Regarding e.g. claim 6, these are well known materials for the tabletop in the wood working art.

Conclusion

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Charles Goodman whose telephone number is (571) 272-4508. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday between 7:30 AM to 6:00 PM EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Allan Shoap, can be reached on (571) 272-4514. In lieu of mailing, it is encouraged that all formal responses be faxed to (703) 872-9306.

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